



Mathews Arm Campground

Park Information recording: (540) 999-3500 or online at www.nps.gov/shen

Welcome to Mathews Arm Campground. Family camping in Shenandoah National Park can be a fun and rewarding experience. Remember that you are sharing this space with plants, animals, and other campers. Consideration is important.	
CAMPING	Camping is on a first-come, first-served basis. Reservations are not accepted at Mathews Arm Campground. Check out or register by 12:00 noon. Camping fees are non-refundable and camping is limited to 14 consecutive days per year.
CAMPSITES	Each campsite is equipped with a picnic table, fire grate, and parking area. Electric and water hookups are not available. Campsites are limited to 6 people, 2 tents, and 2 vehicles (including trailer) per site. There are walk-in sites for tents only. Respect the area by not trenching your tent or putting nails in trees. Use tent pads if available. Be sure to leave something (not a food item or cooler) on your site at all times to show occupancy.
CAMPFIRES	You may gather dead wood that is down on the ground. Don't cut, saw, or break any standing trees, dead or alive. Fires are allowed only in grates. Never leave fires or hot coals unattended and be sure they are extinguished completely.
FOOD STORAGE, WILDLIFE, AND PRESERVATION	THIS IS BEAR COUNTRY and deer, raccoons, and skunks are year-round residents. Store your food out of their reach. Put food, (including pet food) coolers, and utensils in your vehicle or on a food storage pole. It is illegal to feed the animals. Never feed, frighten, or disturb deer or other wildlife. Leave wildflowers, artifacts, and all resources for others to enjoy. All plants, animals, artifacts, and other natural resources are protected by law in national parks.
SANITATION	Wash dishes at your site, not in restrooms. Wastewater/gray water must be disposed of in the service sinks in restrooms. Sewage and wastewater from trailers and recreation vehicles must be emptied at a dump station. There are no shower or laundry facilities at Mathews Arm.
CAMPSTORE,	ARAMARK, the official park concessioner, operates a campstore at Elkwallow Wayside at Milepost 24.
VEHICLES & BICYCLES	All roads in the campground are one way and the speed limit is 10 mph. Be sure to keep motorcycles, vehicles, and trailers on paved areas. Remove wide mirrors when trailers are unhitched. Bicycles are permitted on paved roads only. Additional parking is located near the amphitheater.
RECREATION	Be sure to check the schedule of ranger-conducted activities. Visitor centers have exhibits, maps, publications, and hiking information. They are located at mile 4.6, milepost 51, and mile 79.5. Skates, rollerblades, scooters, skateboards, fireworks, and all weapons are prohibited. Generators may be used from 8-10 a.m. and 4-7 p.m. Quiet hours are from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. Pets must be on a leash 6 feet or less. Do not leave pets unattended and clean up after them.
EMERGENCIES	Contact rangers at the registration station or the campground hosts at Sites C111 or A40. If they are not available, use the pay phone at the registration station to call 1-800-732-0911 . The nearest hospital is located in Luray; drive nine miles south on Skyline Drive, then 10 miles west on U.S. 211.



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